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GENEVA PLEASE PASS LOS DELEGATION

1. IN DISCUSSION WITH POLCOUNS MARCH 13 BRITISH HEAD OF CHANCERY DUGGAN STATED THAT INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED FROM LONDON MARCH 7 TO GO IN TO GOI URGING THAT INDONESIA SUPPORT A PACKAGE LOS AGREEMENT, ONE ELEMENT OF WHICH WOULD BE UK STRAITS ARTICLE (PARA 6, REFTEL).

2. IN ABSENCE OF AMBASSADOR WHO OUT OF TOWN, DUGGAN CALLED ON FONDEPT LEGAL AFFAIRS DIRECTORATE SUFFRI JUSUF MARCH 8, MAKING ABOVE POINTS IN GENERAL FASHION. JUSUF (WHO WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR GENEVA) SEEMED RECEPTIVE BUT DID NOT REPLY SUBSTANTIVELY.

3. UPON HIS RETURN AMBASSADOR COMBS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF SCHEDULED FAREWELL CALL ON JUSTICE MINISTER (AND LOS CHIEF NEGOTIATOR) MOCHTAR MARCH 12 TO MAKE SIMILAR PRESENTATION. MOCHTAR INFORMED COMBS THAT NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS INDONESIAN DELEGATION TAKING TO GENEVA ARE  
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SUFFICIENTLY FLEXIBLE THAT INTERESTS OF MARITIME

NATIONS COULD BE MET IF GENERAL AGREEMENT ON PACKAGE IS REACHED. COMBS GOT IMPRESSION MOCHTAR WAS ALSO ASKING THAT MARITIME POWERS NOT ATTEMPT PUCH INDONESIA INTO ANY POSITION WHICH MIGHT EMBARASS IT IN THIRD WORLD CAMP.

4. MOCHTAR AND COMBS AGREED IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR BRITISH AND INDONESIAN LS DELEGATIONS TO HOLD INFORMAL BILATERAL IN GENEVA PRIOR OPENING OF CONFERENCE. BRITISH EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS WILL TAKE PLACE, ASSUMING MUTUALLY SUITABLE TIME CAN BE FOUND.  
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